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Dear Josh,

The British National Committee on Space Research have set up a Group on Biological Experiments, and roped me in. I was asked to write to you to enquire how your plans for putting a microscope into a soft-lander were getting on, since this may be a field where someone in Britain might contribute. Since the Group is only just getting to know the field, it would appreciate any information on this, and other projects for detecting life on planets. We have had some reprints on the Gulliver system and on the A.T.P.-luciferin system, but little else.

Your paper in P.N.A.S. Vol.53, p.134 on topology of molecules was fascinating, and I'd much appreciate a reprint.

Joan and I send our warmest wishes to Esther and you, and trust you flourish. We are settling in here very well, and like Leicester. Our latest is a boy, David, now just over a year old, and Barbara and Catherine are now at school.

Best wishes,

Yours sincerely,



P.H.A. Sneath